

Drainage Board
January 2, 2007 – 10:11 am

Meeting called to order by Auditor Shelton. Members Logsdon and Rininger, Surveyor Sublett and Attorney Robinson were present.

Board Reorganization

President – Rininger made a motion for Logsdon to be President. Logsdon seconded. All in favor.

Vice President – Logsdon made a motion for Rininger to be Vice President. Rininger seconded. All in favor.

Attorney – Rininger made a motion for Robinson to continue as attorney. Logsdon seconded. All in favor.

Minutes

Rininger made a motion to approve the minutes for 11/6/2006 and 12/4/2006. Logsdon seconded. All in favor.

Complaint Baker Creek

Mike Epperson expressed concern over the drain overflowing on his property. What used to hold a 6 inch rain, he is now having a problem with just a 2 inch rain. In the summer he is worried about the potential health problems caused by standing water. Logsdon stated currently there are no funds in the Baker Creek Watershed for maintenance or construction. Logsdon asked Youngblood his opinion as to what needed to be done and he felt it needed to be dug out a distance of about a mile. Logsdon asked Robinson what the procedures would be to raise the funds. Robinson stated two things can be done. First, if maintenance is not adequate a hearing has to be held with notice to increase the maintenance paid by everyone in the watershed. The other option is reconstruction, which is a major project, and the board would have to have an engineer to make a recommendation. Logsdon asked if a hearing was held and the increase passed, could that amount raised be used for current maintenance or does it have to be used to payoff the past maintenance debt. Robinson stated the State Board of Accounts would have to agree to keep the current payback agreement in place. He will check with the SBA and report back. Logsdon requested Robinson report back on the procedure to follow to have a public hearing and on requesting emergency funds from the Council.

Huffman Drain

Sublett would like to replace a culvert going to the park in Rockport. Logsdon questioned whether the board can spend county funds within the city limits. Robinson stated the municipality has exclusive jurisdiction over their own drain. When the drain was established has an effect. The SBA will have to be contacted. If an agreement can be reached with the city on what each side’s contribution will be, an ordinance could be passed. A draft of the ordinance will be brought to the next meeting. Logsdon reminded Sublett to keep in mind the amount of funds available. Logsdon also questioned if this problem is fixed at the fairground, will it then cause problems further down the drain.

Beaver Trapper Contract

Rininger stated the contract for trapping beavers was not consistent with the minutes. The second half of the payment was not to be paid until after March 15th.

Rininger made a motion to adjourn. Logsdon seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 10:42 am.

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President	
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Cindy Shelton, Auditor	
